





Form IV English students film a recontextualized interpretation of Romeo and Juliet in School House.

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From Moulton Hill



There is certainly no denying that 2019-2020 was one for the books!

Mitchell Family House (our first new residence in over 50 years) welcomed its first residents. Venerable William Mitchell, BCS'63, came back for a second term as Interim Head. We excitedly made the announcement of our new Head of School, Michel Lafrance, ahead of schedule and both he and Will quickly set about strategizing and executing an exhaustive transition plan, unprecedented in independent schooling. Student achievements—academic and athletic—were celebrated weekly and 'Carnivallarmus' was a roaring success. Then: global pandemic.

An anticipated two-week March Break turned into an extended time away from campus, with a quick and necessary pivot to online learning after a mere 48-hour preparation. Students, teachers, parents, and administrators alike were pushed far outside of their comfort zones, as the

world grappled with our 'new normal' that saw virtually everything 'go virtual.'

And yet, if there is one thing for which the BCS community is known, it is resilience of spirit. Teachers got creative with Google Meet, students—led by our prefects—recorded their own chapel videos, and alumni reached out to ask how they could help their school.

It is in times of trial that we show our true colours and we could not be more proud of our community's purple spirit.

That spirit is thriving as we prepare to welcome our students to Moulton Hill in September and it extends across our full 250 acres. A much-needed overhaul of our kitchen facilities is currently underway, thanks to a substantial and timely donation from one of our generous alumni. In classrooms, washrooms, residences, and hallways, we are modifying existing structures and implementing new protocol in order to respect physical distancing

standards, while keeping our community comfortable.

The Lafrance family, Michel, Carine, Léa, and Rosalie, have moved into the newly renovated Head's House and are enjoying exploring further Lennoxville and the Townships. While Michel officially took over as Head of School on July 1, he has been heavily invested for the last few months, leading the senior administration team in the planning process for 2020-2021.

A note from Michel

It is with great pleasure that I write my first *Bulletin* message to you from my office here on Moulton Hill. So much has happened since I first read the prospectus for a new Head of School—and I can say with all honesty that I am as excited as ever to be embarking on this journey together.

There is no doubt we have experienced some unique challenges over the last few months but, as you will soon learn, I love a challenge. It's an opportunity for growth, creativity, and innovation. I believe that each of us rises to the expectations that the people in our lives set for us, that we can all reach our potential if we are provided with the appropriate support and encouragement, and that life is defined by the relationships that we build, nurture, and value. My goal is for BCS to be the most exciting and engaging place to learn, the most inspiring place to work, and the school of choice for families in Quebec, Canada, and around the world.

As we look towards September and the 2020-2021 school year, we are committed to creating engaging learning experiences in and out of the classroom, in an inclusive environment that supports each student's well-being and social-emotional develop-



ment. Our goal is to ensure our students will benefit from the full BCS experience and that they will thrive in our unique environment, creating memories that will last a lifetime.

The health and safety of our students, staff, families, and visitors were at the forefront of our discussions as we constructed our plan. We tackled those challenges first, ensuring that we were in a position to deliver our programs in an environment that demonstrates our care for our most precious resource: our community.

Our health and safety protocols have been developed in conjunction with the Public Health Authorities in Quebec (Santé Publique) and this ongoing collaboration will allow us to closely monitor the evolution of the health directives in the coming months and adjust our protocols and procedures accordingly. By the time the students arrive on campus, the entire faculty, staff, and administration will have received the appropriate training on the new hygiene, health, and safety protocols in order to provide a high level of care to all.

This is the time for mutual support and nurturing. We are redesigning our Health

and Wellness program to address the social, emotional, and physical needs of our entire BCS community, with a particular focus on mental health for a returning student body that will have a heightened need for connection and a healthy lifestyle. In light of the recent global situation that has affected us all, we will focus more closely on the self-esteem, happiness, and interpersonal skills of our students and help them plan and achieve a future in this world, which may appear turbulent and unfamiliar to them.

Thank you to those of you who an-

swered our call for support in helping make campus more comfortable and accessible to our returning and new students. Your collaboration allows us to fulfill our promise to deliver the full, life-changing experience not just this year, but for years to come.

When asked what has stood out the most about BCS for me during the last year as I've delved into this transition, my answer is always resoundingly, 'the community.' The genuinely welcoming nature and loyal spirit of everyone—from students to alumni, parents to employees—truly sets BCS apart in the most wonderful way. I have benefitted greatly from the generosity and collaboration of our Interim Head of School, Mr. William Mitchell, BCS'63, the Chair of the Association Board, Mrs. Linda Rodeck, BCS'81, and the warmth and openness of the entire BCS community.

I am truly excited for all we will accomplish together and my family and I look forward to seeing you soon on Moulton Hill.

Until then, be well and stay positive!

Michel Lafrance Head of School Bishop's College School

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Opposite page: Okill stayed involved with BCS throughout his life, seen here at the 2018 Annual Cadet Review.

Last Seen at Centre Stairs...

G. B. Okill Stuart, BCS'37 1921-2019

Doug Patriquin, BCS'64, Chair of the Association Board from 2000-2004, remembers "a most affable and persuasive gentleman." *

A letter from his father Douglas Stuart, BCS 1899, to Crawford Grier, the newly-appointed Headmaster of BCS, applying for entry to BCS in September 1931, described Okill at age 10 and a half:

He is very fond of the open and loves tramping in the woods with me and making a fire. He is an open air boy, full of life, and generous to a fault.

These qualities lasted throughout Okill's long life, which ended at 98 only last August.

Okill experienced much and created a fascinating life that led from BCS to Gordonstoun School in Scotland. He joined the Canadian army and participated in the massive D-Day attack in 1944 that ultimately brought the Second World War to an end, after another year of vicious fighting.

Okill survived the war and went on to raise two children (Colin, BCS'72, and Heather) and several generations of beagle hounds, working and living in St. Lambert, south of Montreal. He built a career in real estate and plunged into community activities. Over his life, he served in, founded, or was honoured by more than 50

organizations that promote and preserve the heritage and military values he held dear. A few of them:

- Okill was a proud descendant of United Empire Loyalists and served as Dominion President of the United Empire Loyalists Association of Canada.
- He was an organizer and Honorary Fellow of the Royal Heraldry Society of Canada, which gave BCS its Coat of Arms.
- Okill helped found the Juno Beach Centre in Normandy and received a commendation from the Minister of Veterans Affairs for his sustained efforts in support of veterans.
- He served as Officer Commanding and Honorary Lt. Colonel of the Fort St. Helen Garrison of the 78th Fraser Highlanders in Montreal.

How did he do all these things? What kept him going, what drove him? What made him the unique character he was? One early influence was BCS, which he enjoyed thoroughly and never forgot.

BCS in the 1930s was a very different place from what it is today, although it

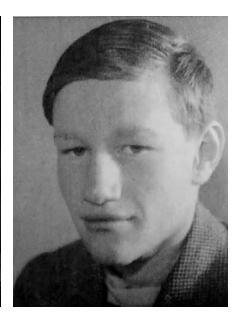
was located where the school is now. There were of course no computers, no cell phones...and no girls. The boys wore starched collars for Sunday morning and evening chapel, held at St. Mark's Chapel, across the St. Francis River at Bishop's University.

Together with schoolwork and athletics, Moulton Hill provided lots of opportunities for its young students to enjoy the outdoors. The woods were a wonderful place to build huts, some quite elaborate with bookshelves and silverware borrowed from the dining room for meals. Okill's letters reflect his enthusiasm, mischievous nature, and even the gentle self-deprecating humour that stayed with him:

[You] don't know how much fun we have up at the woods making huts and chopping down trees and playing around and climbing trees.

I am so sorry I did not write sooner, but I was away for a walk with Howe right after dinner until chapel, we walked to Ascot and had a great time.

The Sunday before we went to the Salmon River, and we intend to go out next Sunday.



Left: Sylvia and Okill at Centre Stairs in 2008. Right: Okill during his time as a student at BCS in 1934.

Today before letter writing I went down there with MacLean and brought a few skunk cabbages back and put a few in Mr. Gray's bed and he is asleep and when he gets up he will find a big smell.

MacLean and I are going swimming today for the first time this year. I should gather that we will find the water slightly cold.

As Okill grew older he was allowed to go riding in North Hatley, where he also met girls, as well as at twice-yearly King's Hall, Compton dances.

I had a girl named Caroline Kate out for the dance. She is good looking, and also a good dancer. She comes from North Hatley, they have a farm there, with swell riding horses.

Through most of his six and a half years at school Okill generally ranked academically at the bottom of his form, much to the distress of his father and school masters. Boys mature at different rates and Okill was probably a late bloomer, except in the area of athletics, where he excelled from the beginning.

Here's a selection of the trophies he won at Sports Day, held at the end of each year in June:

- Junior Sports, 1932
- 1/4 Mile, Prep, 1933
- High Jump, Prep, 1934
- 100 Yard Hurdles, Prep, 1934
- Richardson Trophy, 1934

Okill also boxed, skied, played cricket, tennis, golf, and football, and was a member of the school's first bantam level Q.A.H.A. hockey championship team in 1934-35.

But the achievement he was most proud of was winning the Richardson Trophy. This was the All-Round sports trophy in the Prep school. His chief competitor was Jack Goodson, BCS'38, who according to Okill had flat feet. Fortunately for Okill he was able to outdo Jack in the last event, the broad jump, and won the trophy.

Five years ago or so, Okill was amazed to discover that the broad jump pit remains in exactly the same place it was when he made his fateful jump, just under the trees below Centre Field.

And he retained his ability to move on his feet. A few years before that, I was amazed when walking from the Head's House to the Cadet Review to see Okill jump up the three- or four-foot bank between the lower and upper lawns beside Williams House, without pausing.

Okill was descended from a storied family with many achievements, beginning with an exceptional clergyman, the Reverend John Stuart, UE, a teacher of Joseph Brant, the famous Mohawk chieftain. John came to Canada as a Loyalist and built the first St. George's church (later a cathedral) in Kingston, Ontario in 1792.

Generations of lawyers, judges, mayors, and soldiers followed. His father Douglas was Head Prefect at BCS in 1898-1899, and his uncle, Sir Campbell Stuart, raised an Irish-Canadian regiment in World War I, and was a highly influential managing director and board member of the *Times of London* for many years in the '20s and '30s.

Okill inherited a daunting family legacy of leadership and community service to live up to.

In the fall of 1936, when he was 15, Okill apparently began to take his studies more seriously, and he ranked 6th in the Christmas exams. He was chosen to be one of the first boys in Williams House when it opened that year.

Okill returned to BCS in September 1937. Early in 1938, Sir Campbell took him off to England and sent both Okill and his older brother Campbell, BCS'35, to Gordonstoun School in Scotland, the famous Round Square school started by Kurt Hahn, which began the international movement of which BCS and other schools are now a part.

It was here he met Prince Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh, who was exactly three months younger, and maintained a lifelong friendship with him. The boys absorbed Kurt Hahn's philosophy of building character. As Campbell described it:

...the ability to decide on the right moral











Above: A proficient athlete, Okill claimed many awards at the Annual Sports Day. **Right:** One of Okill's letters home.

course of action and the strength of will to follow it, to stretch oneself to the limit and then to transcend that limit; to develop pride in oneself and not in one's status.

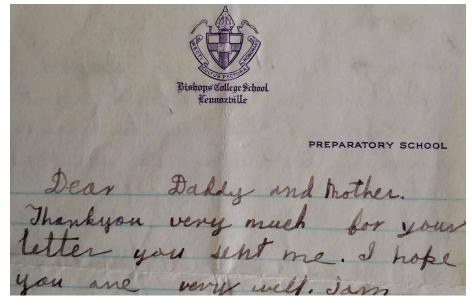
World War II quickly overtook the lives of those who were at school in the '30s and sent them into conflict. Okill enlisted in the Canadian Army in 1940 and volunteered for active service overseas. He was offered a commission as an officer but on the advice of his father and uncle turned it down; they considered he was too young for the responsibilities.

After three years of training in the UK, he found himself in the first wave D-Day landing on Juno Beach on June 6, 1944. He was a Bombardier in the Royal Canadian Artillery, making practical use of the geometry and trigonometry he learned at school.

Many of Okill's contemporaries at BCS joined the Black Watch regiment in Montreal. Okill's brother Campbell did, and lost a leg at the battle of Verrières Ridge. This horrendous battle, and the roles that numerous BCS grads played in it, are described vividly by David O'Keefe in his book, Seven Days in Hell, published in 2019.

Okill and his confreres fought their way inland and up the coast, through France, Belgium and into Holland, liberating occupied towns and bringing the European war to an end on May 8, 1945. He was decorated many times for his service, by Canada, England, France, and Holland. His medals will be given to BCS by his son Colin.

Okill's experiences in World War II



strengthened his determination to pursue the things he valued and enjoyed. As some others put it:

Okill was a true soldier in every way, always ready to give before take, and he was always ready to step up to a challenge.

In spite of, or perhaps because of the horror he experienced in war, Stuart has filled his own life and the lives of others with a zest for living and learning.

Throughout his life he never forgot BCS—not just the memories, but also the value the school provides to new generations of students.

Okill was a great friend and supporter of BCS, and especially of its No. 2 Cadet Corps. He attended the Annual Cadet Reviews frequently. He was the guest of honour at a BCS mess dinner in 2008, and received a BCS Tankard for his service and support of the cadet program.

In 2018 it was proposed that BCS award Cadet Service Medals to alumni. I asked Okill tentatively if he would consider accepting one, as he had made it clear that the decorations he wore were all official and well-earned. He was delighted to do so and joined 35 other men and women receiving medals from former Governor-General, The Right Honourable David Johnston, establishing a new BCS tradition.

In 1989, on the 150th anniversary of the school, Okill invited Prince Philip to come to a United Empire Loyalist meeting in Lennoxville and to inspect the Annual Cadet Review and read the lesson in chapel at BCS.

To make it happen, Okill had to resolve a squabble over whether the Prince would fly out in a federal or provincial helicopter. At one point he excused himself from the contentious meeting, made a call and returned to announce: 'Problem solved; Bell Helicopters will provide two brand new helicopters, and because no one else knows how to fly them, the pilots will be Bell, too.'

It was a unique and wonderfully successful visit.



Okill was instrumental in bringing Prince Philip to Moulton Hill for the 1989 Annual Cadet Review.

"Throughout this whole effort I heard it asked many a time, how does Okill do it?" wrote Brad Mitchell, BCS'53, who was Director of Development at BCS at the time.

The answers to this question may be found in some appreciative observations by those who knew him.

He is (or has been) involved in numerous other community groups, all of whom report the same thing: Okill never just joins—he always works.

His drive, his energy, his organizational skills... his decisive leadership.

Basically saying, let's do it. If we're wrong, we're wrong, but let's get it done.

But perhaps his greatest talent has been his ability to get on with people, his wonderful sense of humour and his reputation as a 'character.'

Here's how it works: you get a telephone call from this enthusiastic and gravelly voice, inviting you gently to do something to celebrate and support one of the excellent causes he supports. And you tend to say 'yes,' as so many have.

He's on the 'blower' all day long, From morn till late at night, Preparing plans and making deals And setting problems right.

The reason why he's in demand Is not just 'cause he's fun. It is that when he gives his word, He gets the darn job done!

And these serious efforts, working on the things he cared about, were always balanced with a positive attitude:

He was a man of caring, and a man of daring. He was a man who had the ability to look at the silver lining behind every cloud.

He was a team player, a good friend to many, he also made people smile and brought laughter in their lives.

I'll always remember his swagger, that twinkle in his eye, and his sharp wit.

That ability to lead, laugh, and inspire until the end is what friends say they will remember about him most.

Or, in Okill's own words:

"There are times in life when good God-fearing people have to stand up and be counted for the moral principles which guide their lives.

"We did our duty. God knows what would have happened if we hadn't done it. Damn the torpedoes, full speed ahead!

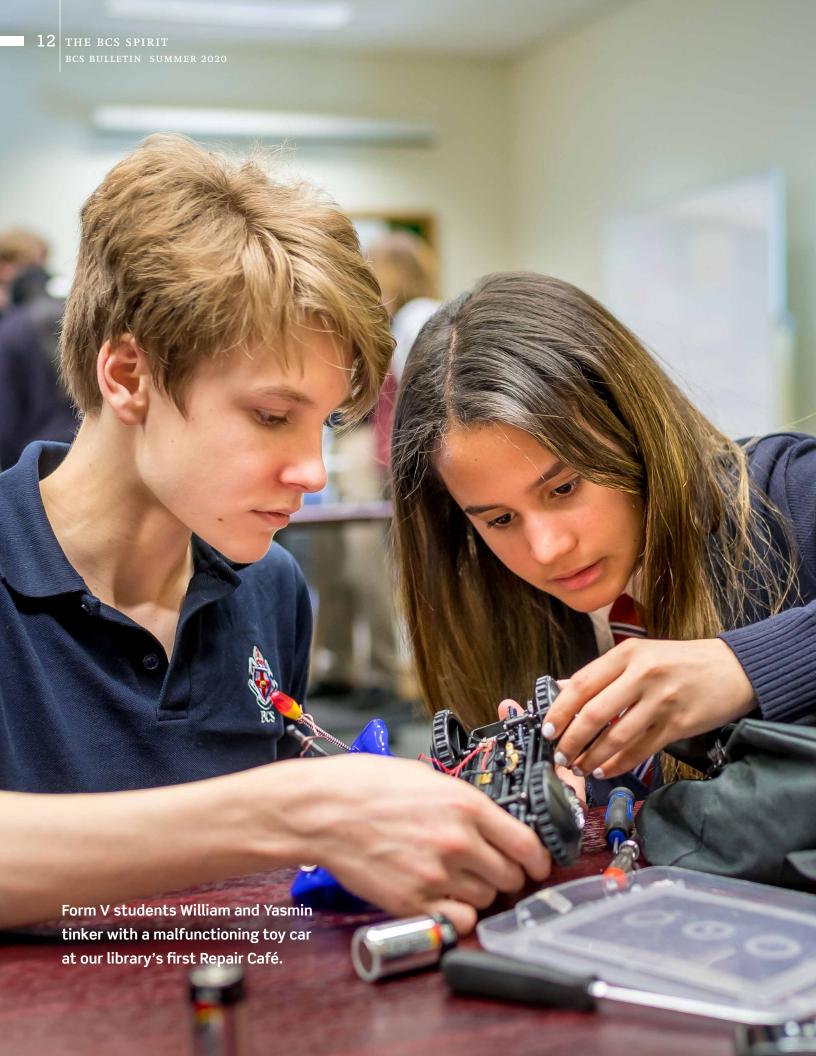
"If I've remained young, it's because I've continued to be active. I'm not some who sits around and doesn't do anything... I feel like I need to have something to do. It's got to be fun!"

Toward the end of his life, with Sylvia, his wife, confined to a nursing bed, Okill continued to be his engaging and affable self. He was still encouraging the residents of their retirement home to attend church services, and organizing and hosting a long, chatty lunch for his visitors, at age 98. 🔯

*This remembrance is based on letters Okill wrote to his parents from BCS, kindly loaned by his son Colin, BCS'72; stories from a recorded visit with him in April 2019; and on numerous published reminiscences and articles, including a 2017 Global News interview by Amanda Jelowicki, BCS'93. An audio version of Okill's comments on these points and others may be found at bishopscollegeschool.com/

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SCHOOL NEWS

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A few members of the Student Life Committee model the newest addition to the school uniform: a long-sleeved polo.

Around Our Campus

Paying tribute

While most of our Bears were away on November Break, two of our day students, Maeve and Emma, were out representing BCS in the Lennoxville community at the borough's wreath-laying ceremony. We held our own Remembrance Day ceremony earlier in the week in St. Martin's Chapel before students departed for the break. Students, staff and faculty, parents, and community members assembled to remember and pay tribute to those who gave their lives for our freedom and acknowledge the women and men who currently serve. Lest we forget.

Fashion forward

After a successful roll out of pants for the girls uniform in the spring of 2018 and shorts a year later, our Student Life Committee began the process of adding another item to the traditional school uniform: a long-sleeved polo. Citing convenience as the inspiration for the addition, Evan explained that the oxford and tie combination in the winter uniform can sometimes be cumbersome to put on and makes outfit changes time-consuming, particularly around Physical Education classes. After months of testing, the polo is now available for order from the Supply Shop for our students.









Clockwise, from above left: For the second year in a row we participated in Bell Let's Talk Day; Head of School Will Mitchell, BCS'63, snapped this photo of two of our students representing BCS at the annual Lennoxville Remembrance Day Ceremony this November; Our students headed across the river to Bishop's University to celebrate Lunar New Year with a fireworks display; Faculty and staff surprised the student body with a spellbinding skit ahead of our Harry Potter-themed carnival.

Mental health matters

Last year, our athletic community came together to show our passionate pursuit of a world without mental health stigma. Building on such an important conversation, our community has been hard at work over the past year engaging in challenging dialogue about the practical ways we can improve our physical and mental health on campus. Whether we're

supporting each other on the field or in our day-to-day, whether we're taking action by spending time in nature or supporting each other through our academic efforts, the BCS community is built on kindness and support. The past year has seen us invite inspiring speakers to campus to give students the tools to build their self-worth, to develop healthy eating habits, and to take practical steps against bullying. Our staff and student leaders have also been sharing about the resources available to every member of our community in chapel and online. We look forward to continuing to develop our wellness and well-being curriculum and providing our community with resources to take care of their mental health moving forward.

Year of the Rat

With students hailing from around the globe, we have a wealth of cultural experiences to share with each other. Our past Lunar New Year celebrations

have been marked by decorations in the chapel and delicious Asian cuisine from our kitchen staff. This year, when a few students approached staff members with suggestions for a more inclusive celebration, our Advancement Department embraced the opportunity wholeheartedly. The festivities were held across the river on the Bishop's University campus where both our student bodies joined together to drink hot chocolate, watch a fireworks display, and experience the tradition together. Manager of Student Life at Bishop's University, Annick Corbeille, and Dean of Student Affairs, Stine Linden Andersen, represented the university at the event, sharing a few words about Lunar New Year and the countries around the world that celebrate it.

Carnivallarmus

In February, the Carnival Committee treated our community to a Harry Potter-themed week of festivities bearing



YA author Ben Philippe spoke with our students about his latest novel.

the name 'Carnivallarmus,' inspired by the popular 'expelliarmus' spell. The event featured a mini-fair on the first day that included bouncy castles and a mechanical bull ride in the gym, slushies, s'mores, and cotton candy, and a Superbowl viewing party in the Student Centre. On the second day, we hosted our age-old inter-house competitions. Keeping with the Harry Potter theme, a relay race was organized on the field that had students racing on brooms between each station as they completed a myriad of challenges. A tug of war competition brought the intensity up yet again as small groups competed in a round-robin tournament. After a lunch consisting of student-requested dishes (poutine, hot dogs, and butterbeer), students enjoyed an afternoon of sports—including a chaotic and incredibly popular muggle reimagination of quidditch. Of course, we carried on the Carnival-staple ice dancing competition which drew crowds of cheering spectators to our frigid Memorial Arena. After dinner we held a lip sync battle in the Student Centre followed by the 'Crystal Ball,' finishing the evening on the dance floor. For the final day of the event our students and staff headed to Quebec City for some good old-fashioned tubing.

Tech Week

We launched our first-ever Tech Week at the beginning of March. Spearheaded by one of our science teachers, Ms. Barbara Rowell, and supported by our library staff, Mr. Max Crowther and Ms. Anne Holland. the week's events saw a range of activities led by members across our community including a Repair Café, a digital photography workshop, and a science fiction writing workshop. Throughout the week, we welcomed back alumni via video conference call including Jonathan Crowther, BCS'14, David Laliberté, BCS'14, and Rebecca Leblond, BCS'16, to talk about their education and experience in tech-related fields leading into our annual Career Day at the end of the week. Read more about Career Day on page 29.

Experts online

Faculty turned a challenge into an opportunity during our academic move toward online content by sharing their virtual classrooms with experts from around the world. During their unit on electricity and electric cells, our IB Physics class was treated to an interactive discussion with John Paul Morgan, President & Chief Technology Officer of Morgan Solar. Students not only discovered practical examples of the theories they were learning,

but also had the opportunity to inquire about careers in energy and technology. In May, our Form II and III English Language Arts class were also given the opportunity to virtually engage with New York-based writer Ben Philippe. After reading his latest young adult novel, The Field Guide to the North American Teenager, the class came prepared with questions about his characters, themes, and thoughts on working as an author.

Keeping it social

Our community quickly launched into action after our Moulton Hill closure to ensure that the BCS experience kept going and that we could continue to connect from afar. Throughout our three months of school apart, our prefects hosted a virtual version of chapel every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday to help our community start their day with humour and positivity. This included featuring the artistic renderings of some of our talented students. Our community also came up with other creative ways to stay connected. Cala launched Bears' Kitchen to share our diverse culinary traditions and cultures and our librarian Max Crowther shared book recommendations and favourite community reads after a successful World Book Day. Students, parents, faculty and staff, and alumni all participated in our Thank A Teacher Day, National Siblings Day, and World Dance Day social events. We even moved some of our most traditional events online, hosting our Annual Cadet Review, Awards Assembly, and Graduation Ceremony virtually for the first time in our school's history.





The Winter Adventure Training crease spent many afternoons on Gillard Field perfecting their cross country skiing techniques.

Athletics

Bouncing back

H. Weir Davis Memorial Gymnasium was the place to be as we hosted 17 teams from across Canada over three days for the CAIS Senior Boys Basketball Tournament in November. A yearly event, the three-day tournament offers an opportunity for schools to come together and showcase their athletic prowess on the basketball court. This year, Ashbury was the team to beat, claiming the Division I banner and going home with the gold. Holy Trinity School was crowned Division II champs and Stanstead College claimed the Division III title.

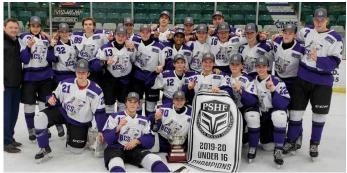
In January, hot on the heels of their win at the 26th Annual BCS Senior Boys Basketball Invitational, our Senior Boys Basketball team's skills shone on the court. Despite an opening-game loss on Friday during the Anderson-Bailey Senior Basketball Tournament, our Bears dug deep and earned themselves a spot in the finals. With injuries plaguing the team throughout the tournament and only seven players in the final game, our Bears still managed to secure a seven-point win over Stanstead College, claiming the championship title within the Quebec Small Schools Sports Association. Later in February, our Senior Boys hosted the RSEQ Division IV Basketball Finals and won the championship banner. Way to go, Bears!

Shooting stars

We welcomed teams from across Canada for this year's 5th BCS Ice Hockey Showcase at the end of January. Building off last year's success, our U18/Varsity team came out on top after an undefeated weekend. The U16/Prep, for their part, fell just short against a strong Académie

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Clockwise, from above left: The Senior Boys Basketball team wrapped up a successful season with an RSEQ championship win; The U16/Prep team were crowned Under 16 champions once again at this year's PSHF finals; Mehdi, Ryan, and Boris each went home with trophies from the ETIAC Swimming Finals; The Brays found several occasions to virtually encourage our community to maintain active lifestyles.

Ste-Thérèse in the finals. Our U18/Varsity hockey team continued to display their athletic prowess at the MPHL Playoffs. Taking the ice at the LECOM Harborcenter in Buffalo, New York, the team handily won against Lake Forest Academy and claimed a close overtime win against Gilmour Academy. Earning a spot in the finals for the first time since joining the league, our boys fought hard in a tight-paced game with lots of chances on both sides, but ultimately lost out to Ridley College, who have won five of the last six MPHL playoffs. Our U16's had a good run at the ECEL Playoffs in Massachusetts, unfortunately losing out to the Seattle Thunderbirds in the semi finals. They followed it up with a solid performance at Stanstead's Graham Neil Provincial Hockey Showcase, walking away with a finalists banner after a tough loss versus John Rennie High School. The team finished the season on a strong note, claiming the title of back to back Under 16 champions at the Prep School Hockey Federation Championships with a 2-1 win versus the CSJV dragons.

Swimming ETIAC

Our Swim team laid claim to some hardware during February's ETIAC Finals with three students taking home trophies



for their individual performances. Mehdi, Ryan, and Boris all finished in first place in each of their four events and the team finished in third place overall with over 300 points—no small feat considering we only had 14 competitive swimmers participating in the event!

Frigid fun

Students and staff took advantage of all that our cold Canadian winter had to offer this year. From the annual snowball fight in the Quad after the first snowfall in November to the last sledding run behind the tennis courts in mid-March, students and staff didn't get cold feet as the mercury dropped. Our Winter Adventure Training crease was regularly seen trudging into the forest with all manner of snow-traversing paraphernalia and our Alpine Skiing and Snowboarding crease enjoyed many powder-packed trips to local mountains. Those not satisfied with the temperatures at our latitude ventured even farther north during the February break to La Tuque, Quebec, where they learned to travel by dogsled. When they weren't with the huskies, the group also took the opportunity to try their hands at ice fishing, snowshoeing, horseback riding, and consuming copious quantities



of hot chocolate and maple syrup on snow. Students on campus also enjoyed new opportunities to enjoy the cold, as our Athletics Department hosted open ice time during exams to keep students mentally and physically healthy. While we're thankful for all the activities that winter weather brings, we're happy to report that Moulton Hill is now in full summer bloom!

Crease online

Our Athletic team quickly shifted gears in March to offer a physical wellness program to our students in lieu of the regularly scheduled spring crease. Our Physiotherapist Katelyn MacDonald prepared a program for students and staff to encourage stretching, warming up, and injury prevention. As a complement, our Strength Coach, Josh Bray, provided daily tips and advice on staying fit and in shape while at home. To satisfy our community's taste for competition, we got in some friendly rivalry with the Spartans during our Stanstead vs BCS Fitness challenge led by our Director of Athletics Jeff Bray, which saw our community tallying up sit-ups, push-ups, and kilometre counts to give our rivals in red a run for their money.



The new podcasting studio has been put to good use during its first year in operation.

Arts

Theatre in Toronto

Mr. Kelso's Form VII IB English Language and Literature students, accompanied by Mrs. Carey, travelled over 1,400 kilometres this past October to see Soulpepper's performance of A Streetcar Named Desire. The five participating students took the opportunity to see the play interpreted by professional actors in Toronto after reading and discussing the revolutionary piece by Tennessee Williams in class.

Act 2020

The BCS Players' Club put on a rousing performance of the interactive dinner theatre murder mystery Café Murder by Nathan Hartswick in the fall. Directed by Ms. McGie and featuring some incredibly

talented students both on and off stage, each performance delivered an entertaining night of comedy and intrigue for the audience members, which saw them actively participating in solving the mysterious crime.

Despite the cancellation of the Players' Club spring production slotted to take place at the end of April, that didn't stop our young actors from meeting virtually and planning the revival of the project in the fall. We look forward to seeing the group's performance of The Clock Struck One by Craig Sodaro just as soon as our campus opens its doors once again.









Clockwise, from above: Some of our avid theatregoers captured their visit to the Young Centre to see A Streetcar Named Desire; Recipient of the Bertha Bell Music Award in her first year at BCS, Mulan performs here in the Senior Band during our Spring Concert; The stage was set for an evening of accusations during the Players' Club's fall production.

Musical medley

Our students showed off their instrumental and vocal prowess during the annual Christmas Concert in December. Before the holiday break, music students and choir members from all Forms took the stage at the Centennial Theatre to perform a setlist of festive classics and modern hits. New this year was the reintroduction of the oboe, an orchestral instrument that hasn't been featured on our stages in many years. Between the band performances, Mme Simard brought in the festive cheer with the choir performing some Christmas classics.

In March, our young musicians put on an equally stunning performance to welcome our community into spring. Evan took over for Mr. Obermeir during the first pieces, directing the Junior Band in their performances of "Dervish" and "Power Rock." The Senior Band followed with performances of "Wonders of the Universe" and "Acclamations" both directed by Mr. O's practicum student from neighbouring Bishop's University, Ms. Skye Stowe. They capped off the first half of the afternoon with "Don't Fear the Reaper" and "Marche Slave." After a short intermission, the Choir sang a medley of favourite hits before the Jazz Band closed out the show.

Space for sound

Located beside the control booth in the R. Lewis Evans Memorial Theatre, our brand new podcasting studio has inspired many creative projects during its first year in operation. Starting with an inaugural broadcast during a morning assembly in October, the acoustically controlled space has been used for preparing polished oral assignments, recording group discussions, and even creating a radio ad for the BCS Players' Club's fall production. The room is equipped with all the latest technology including four dynamic microphones, a mixing board, a modular lighting system, and a dual monitor computer set up with a full suite of audio software. Several departments are making plans to start a student-run podcasting club, to equip the space for musical recordings, and to eventually incorporate the tools into a full-fledged Media Studies class.



The Grace Village visitors got festive with their favourite seniors before the holidays.

Leadership

Connecting through speech Bishop's University hosted our students for the annual Rotary Club Speaking Competition in February where our speechmakers continued to impress. Six of our orateurs shared five-minute speeches answering the question "How does Rotary International connect to my world?" The students spoke to the importance of multicultural bonds, the connections we build through teamwork, the challenges of dealing with doubt, and the importance of kindness and collaboration. Form VI student Vivienne claimed first place in both the first and second rounds of the competition and was slated to compete in round three in Jay Peak in May.

Visiting with grace

Our enthusiastic group of senior-centric socialites continues to grow! Wrapping up their fall semester visits to the local retirement home, the Grace Village visitors rang in the holidays with conversations and singing. Formerly known as the Grace Village People (a name that has been recently retired to avoid copyright infringement), the co-curricular club gives students the opportunity to engage in the broader community and strengthen intergenerational friendships. What began as a small group of community-minded individuals has seen burgeoning growth throughout the time Mrs. Carey has been facilitating it, becoming so popular this year that she had to turn students down on occasion due to limited transportation







Clockwise, from above left: Students got a crash-course in teaching digital literacy from members of Literacy In Action; Winners of the first round of the Rotary Speaking Competition strike triumphant poses in the Bishop's University library; Students and staff shed their locks for a good cause this fall.

available. Seated in one of the activity rooms at the residence in December, the group sang Christmas carols, taking requests from students and residents once their playlist had run out. Smiles abounded as the group shared refreshments and caught up on the latest news from Moulton Hill and Grace Village before returning to campus.

Every bit helps

In January, three of our students began volunteering their time with Lennoxville-based non-profit Literacy In Action to improve digital literacy in the Eastern Townships. The organization works with all ages to provide one-on-one tutoring in reading, writing, math, and most recently computer use. Following an initial collaboration with the organization in 2019, our librarian, Mr. Crowther, encouraged our most tech-minded students to get involved in the project. After a few training sessions to give our

students the teaching tools to best share their knowledge, they were paired off with senior community members to help them use their digital devices and the web. The program has not only been an opportunity for students to share one of their areas of interest but has also served to teach them effective communication skills as they train others.

Shaved by the bell

With October marking Breast Cancer Awareness Month and November serving to raise awareness of men's health issues, our prefects put their heads together to find creative means of raising money for cancer research. Building off the success of last year's head-shaving fundraiser, many of our students, faculty, and staff members took a little off the top with our more follically favoured donors giving their locks to wig-making charity Chai Lifeline Canada. The month was filled with bake-sales, dress-down days, and a Movember fundraiser that allowed some of our students to eschew the tedious task of top lip trimming. Thanks to our school community and a generous matching pledge from Association Board Chair Linda Rodeck, BCS'81, the organizers blasted past their fundraising goal of \$1,000.





ALUMNI COMMUNITY EVENTS

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Our New York City-area alumni gathered at The Citco Group's offices in December.

We are always interested in seeing you and hearing your ideas and thoughts for making BCS an ongoing and important part of your life. Does being a member of the BCS family benefit you? It certainly could—imagine the possibilities: networking, mentorship, career development, etc. As a parent, alumnus, or friend, help us understand what type of activities and events are of interest to you. Get in touch, get involved, join us for events, and let's create a dynamic BCS community of which we can all be proud.

Keep an eye on the <u>alumni section of our</u> <u>website</u> for upcoming opportunities!

KHC Class of 1968 Toronto Lunch Submitted by Kathy (Winser) Robertson, KHC'68

For two days in October, 14 Old Girls of the KHC Class of 1968 reunited in Toronto to celebrate 51 years post graduation. It was wonderful to reconnect with each other at Fiona's warm and inviting home. A big thanks to her for hosting a fabulous and yummy dinner. BJ and Pam ensured that we didn't miss dessert—Mr. Burt's chocolate sauce is always a hit! FaceTiming with Harps (in New Zealand) was a bonus.

Oughtred chose a perfect place for lunch on Thursday and the stories and laughter continued! Janet Turcot Vukovic, BCS Director of Advancement, joined us to relay news about BCS, updates about the KHC buildings, and to distribute the beautiful KHC Old Girl scarves.

The bond created all those years ago

certainly was rekindled during our few days together. Here is to an inspiring group of women.

BCS in Ottawa

Alumni and friends braved the downpour of rain and gusty winds to attend our reception in Ottawa in November. Our Head of School, Will Mitchell, BCS'63, gave a status update, spoke on the importance of supporting BCS, and gave out 50th anniversary scarves and ties. Thank you to Philip Ho, BCS'83, for hosting us and John Gilmour, BCS'83, for helping organize the event.

A few days later, we gathered in Ottawa again to celebrate the KHC Class of 1967. Janet Turcot Vukovic was in attendance to present the ladies with their 50th anniversary scarves and to give an update on the school and how KHC still remains an









Clockwise, from above: Alumni and friends gathered in Ottawa in November; The KHC Class of 1968 reunited in Toronto to celebrate 51 years; We are lucky to welcome back alumni and community members each year to help us celebrate the Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols; The KHC Class of 1967 celebrated 50 years together.

important part of BCS to this day. It was lovely to catch up with all of you—thank you for joining us!

BCS in New York City
Submitted by Mason Emoff, BCS'16
On December 9, I had the privilege of attending this year's BCS reception in New York City because of the venue's close proximity to my college. Graduating in 2016, I am younger than most of the alumni who attended, but it was a great experience to meet such incredible people. While there was a large variety of

personalities and careers represented in our alumni, the one constant in all of us was our connection to BCS. There were so many terrific stories from our past days at BCS and I also learned a lot about alumni's journeys, career paths, and experiences. I was blessed to attend such an incredible night and came away with some valuable connections; one of the great aspects of being a part of the BCS family. Thank you to our hosts at The Citco Group and all those involved in putting such a phenomenal event together!

A Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols Students, parents, staff, faculty, alumni, and friends filled our festively decorated St. Martin's Chapel for an annual holiday tradition in December, officiated by Reverend Heather Thomson. Throughout the evening, the 'BCS Community Choir,' directed by Mr. Obermeir and Mme Simard and made up of students, community members, and alumni, performed several traditional hymns and seasonal songs. Our thanks to those who made it out to participate in this special annual tradition.





Clockwise, from above left: Mr. Guy
Patry (Simon, BCS'13) and Mr. Michel
Dubois (Mathieu, BCS'14) organized a
delicious méchoui dinner for the Alumni
& Friends Hockey Tournament for the
second year in a row; Nicholas Scheib,
BCS'91, Marie-Geneviève "Genny"
Pilon, BCS'93, and Jerome Cloutier,
BCS'90, were just a few of the alumni to
join us for our 2nd Annual Career Day; We
reunited in Mexico City in February for
our Annual Alumni Soccer Game versus
Stanstead.



BCS in Mexico

We held our Alumni & Friends Reunion and our 9th Annual Alumni Soccer Game against Stanstead College in Mexico City at the beginning of February with special guests Scott Kelso and Susan Cook. While we weren't victorious against our Townships rivals, we had so much fun playing together as Bears again. Thank you to Rogelio Torre Medellin, BCS'94, and Fernando Moreno, BCS'09, for once again helping to organize the events. ¡Hasta la proxima!

34th Alumni & Friends Hockey Tournament

Over 95 alumni and friends descended upon Memorial Arena at the end of February for the 34th Annual Alumni & Friends Hockey Tournament. The long and proud history of this cherished BCS sport was on full display as we enjoyed two days of hockey and camaraderie. It was a pleasure to have our incoming Head of School Michel Lafrance perform the ceremonial puck drop.

This year our longest-playing team and tournament founders, the ABS, featured in



a highlight match-up against the Beauties that saw the two teams share the ice with mutual respect and a pure love of both the game and their school.

During the finals on Sunday, IHA PRO laid claim to the Stuart Mactavish Masters hardware, while the Beauties raised the Neil Cunningham Open trophy for a record-breaking sixth year in a row!

A huge thank you to our sponsors Rempart Asset Management, Hatley, Jean Coutu, Jerry's, Sebby's, Provigo, Rima, and Clinique Dentaire Dr. Simon Roy, as well as our many generous donors. Together we raised over \$13,000 for the BCS Hockey program.

We would also like to extend a special thank you to past parents Mr. Guy Patry (Simon, BCS'13) and Mr. Michel Dubois (Mathieu, BCS'14) for organizing the delicious Saturday night méchoui dinner once again this year. Last, but certainly not least, thank you to Torrance Ragueneau and Peter Cassar, both Class of 1996, for providing all participants with custom 'BCS Alumni' purple shower flipflops.

2nd Annual Career Day

Building off of the success of last year's reintroduction of Career Day, our Form V and VI students got a glimpse at some of their future occupations at our 2nd Annual Career Day on March 6, which capped off our first-ever Tech Week. The day began with a chapel address from Maxime Descôteaux, BCS'98, and continued during third and fourth periods, when eight alumni and friends of the school met with students to discuss their careers and answer students' questions about specific industries. Jerome Cloutier, BCS'90, Nicolas Charlton, BCS'11, and Sébastien Bernier, BCS'12, represented the world of finance, Nicholas Scheib, BCS'91, discussed the intricacies of law, Julien Bernatchez, BCS'08, joined Mr. Descôteaux to share about the worlds of medical and life sciences, and Marie-Geneviève "Genny" Pilon, BCS'93, and John Aylen presented about the self-starting attitudes required in entrepreneurship. We're grateful to have such an involved community of alumni willing to invest their time in helping our

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students prepare for their careers! Read more about our first-ever Tech Week on page 15!

National Siblings Day

At BCS we're all about family. Some might say that the relationships formed here are similar to those of siblings. In honour of National Siblings Day on April 10, we asked the BCS and KHC community to share their sibling photos with us. We were overwhelmed by the response and it was so wonderful to see all of the family photos flood our social accounts including some gems from the Grahams, Prices, and Rodecks. Read more about the social event on page 15.

Annual Cadet Review

Alumni from across the years and across the globe helped us celebrate what would have been the 158th Annual Review by sending in photos, videos, and memories about their time in the BCS No. 2 Cadet Corps. These moments spanning from 1941 to last year's review helped us create a special tribute for this year's cadets, which included a message from Major Gilles Nichols, CO and Captain François Tessier. Thank you to everyone who participated in making this tribute for our students.



Above: We loved receiving pictures like this one of the Graham siblings—Tony, BCS'74, Robert, BCS'68, Margot, KHC'69, Ian, BCS'80, Susan, KHC'64, and Ron, BCS'65—for National Siblings Day. Below: Drum Major Derek Bryson Park, BCS'74, (seated centre) and the No. 2 Cadet Corps Band in 1974.







CLASS NOTES

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Clockwise, from above left: The Cricket Gang reunited on campus to celebrate the completion of the Mitchell Family House residence; Michael Harris, BCS'62, received an Honorary Doctor of Letters at McGill's Spring Convocation for his long and celebrated career in Montreal as a poet, translator, editor, educator, and rare book expert; Stuart Mactavish, BCS'75, caught up with old classmates Mark Medland, BCS'75, and David Stenason, BCS'75, in Montreal; The Park family reunited at the New York Athletic Club at the end of December to watch the Cotton Bowl.

The Cricket Gang

Members of the Cricket Gang, Philip Anido, BCS'66, Timothy Bradley, BCS'67, Stephen Cushing, BCS'61, Richard Hart, BCS'61, Sass Khazzam, BCS'62, Anthony Ross, BCS'75, and Mark Saykaly, BCS'68, stopped by campus for a tour of Mitchell Family House led by our Director of Advancement, Janet Turcot Vukovic. Our heartfelt thanks to the Cricket Gang for their generous contribution to the project.

Michael Harris, BCS'62

"I received an Honorary Doctor of Letters at McGill's Spring Convocation last June. You can find my speech here:



youtu.be/CCexr5Fbp-E. It's about 15 minutes long. If you do actually have the time or inclination to watch the video, I'd recommend a quiet room and a single malt (a large one, preferably). These ceremonies are a test of patience, particularly on unforgiving seats. The whisky might help."

Stuart "Kip" Cobbett, BCS'66
"McGill awarded me with an Honorary
Doctor of Laws at its Fall Convocation."

Stuart Mactavish, BCS'75

"I had dinner with **Mark Medland**, **BCS'75**. and **David Stenason**, **BCS'75**, in Montreal before heading to BCS for the Annual Alumni



& Friends Hockey Tournament. It's always great to catch up with old friends after I have flown in from Berkshire, United Kingdom."

Ashley Park, BCS'76

"The Park family didn't travel down to
Texas to see the Memphis Tigers play a very
competitive game against the Penn State
Nittany Lions in the Cotton Bowl, but our
family had a most enjoyable time watching
the game at The New York Athletic Club in
New York City with my brother **Derek Park**, **BCS'74.**"

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Clockwise, from above left: Mike Weir, BCS'78, and Charles Lacroix, BCS'77, crossed paths at a golf tourney in Mexico; Andreas "Andrew" Stegmann, BCS'83, stopped in for a visit in January; Chris Ronald, BCS'84, and Christine Pound, BCS'96, represented the Halifax BCS alumni contingent at a golf event in West Palm Beach; Geneviève "Gen" Carle, BCS'86, and her husband Yvan Bélanger tied the knot at a ceremony in August; Old roommates Paul Beauregard and Yanick Martin, both Class of 1987, had a reunion in the cockpit; Naran Leseigneur, BCS'88, drove 12 hours to support Yanick Martin, BCS'87, on his wedding day; A visit from Greg Stevenson, BCS'87, is always a nice opportunity to unite the BCS gang!





Mike Weir, BCS'78

"I signed up to play in a golf tourney in San Miguel de Allende, Mexico. Unbeknownst to me Charles Lacroix, BCS'77, was also signed up to represent Canada. We had a great time but ultimately lost out to Mexico."

Andreas "Andrew" Stegmann, BCS'83 Andrew stopped in for a visit while in Sherbrooke on business. After taking a campus tour, he found that a lot was still the same but was happy to hear that laps were no longer the norm.



Chris Ronald, BCS'84

"It was great to see Christine Pound, BCS'96, at a golf event in West Palm Beach it's always nice to have the Halifax BCS alumni contingent come together!"

Geneviève "Gen" Carle, BCS'86

"I was married on August 3, 2019, with my honey of 27 years. My brother Martin, BCS'88, was of course a special part of the day."



Paul Beauregard, BCS'87

"I had the pleasant surprise of having my old BCS roommate Yanick Martin, BCS'87, pilot us back from Mexico. It was an awesome experience!"

Yanick Martin, BCS'87

"I recently got married and Naran Leseigneur, BCS'88, drove 12 hours to be there!"

Greg Stevenson, BCS'87

Tim Price, BCS'75, Keith Tinker, BCS'88, Barbara Baudinet, BCS'87, Danny











Clockwise, from above left: Catherine Fitzgerald, BCS'93, said "I do" to her husband Rick in August; Melissa (Barsoski) Glazier, BCS'94, ran into fellow alumni Peter Mackenzie, BCS'77, and Geoffrey "Geoff" Scott, BCS'77, and Hart Price (cousin of our very own Tim Price, BCS'75) in California; Torrance Ragueneau and Peter Cassar, both Class of 1996, ran the New York Marathon together in November; Papa Ragueneau came out to cheer on his sons Torrance, BCS'96, Sasha, BCS'97, and Jason, BCS'00, at the 34th Alumni & Friends Hockey Tournament; Maxime Descôteaux, BCS'98, received the prestigious Prix Relève scientifique at the National Assembly of Quebec in November.

Lalonde, BCS'72, Phil Telio, BCS'87, and Kurt Johnson, BCS'84, got together for an impromptu lunch at Ristorante Beatrice when Greg came to Montreal in January.

Catherine Fitzgerald, BCS'93

"My husband Rick and I were married on August 17, 2020 at the beautiful Retro Suites Hotel in Chatham, Ontario. It was a wonderful weekend of celebration!"

Melissa (Barsoski) Glazier, BCS'94 "Imagine reconnecting with a group of people from a tiny school in Quebec, here in sunny southern California! I ran into Peter Mackenzie, BCS'77, and Geoffrey "Geoff" Scott, BCS'77, at the country club where I am the Fitness & Spa Director. It was fun

to connect with them and reminisce about what we loved about BCS!"

Torrance Ragueneau, BCS'96

"Peter Cassar, BCS'96, and I ran the New York City Marathon in November. It was a fantastic race and we finished with a huge smile on our faces and lots of emotions. Through the process, we donated more than \$7,000 for the Team for Kids sponsorship program."

The Ragueneau Brothers

Torrance, BCS'96, Sasha, BCS'97, and Jason, BCS'oo, Ragueneau were back on Memorial Arena ice for the 34th Alumni & Friends Hockey Tournament with their Gen-X team. Their dad made the trip from

Montreal to watch all three of his sons play in the final on Sunday!

Maxime Descôteaux, BCS'98

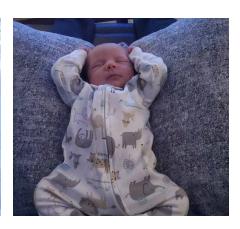
Maxime was awarded the Prix Relève scientifique at the National Assembly of Quebec on November 6, 2019. His ongoing research, techniques, and discovery of the brain and its revolution has had a huge impact. It was especially touching to hear him mention three BCS teachers who gave him that push along the way: Ms. Harding, Mr. Tessier, and Madame Forest.

Emily Evans, BCS'98 Submitted by Cathy Evans

"Emily and Christian are happy to celebrate the arrival of baby Nicolas Léandre Evans







Clockwise, from above left: Jean-David "JD" Fournier, BCS'03, and his wife Anne with their son Émile in Yosemite Valley in October; Proud grandparents Lewis, BCS'65, and Cathy Evans with their daughter's newborn son, Nicolas; Myles Artus, BCS'05, and his partner welcomed baby Ayden to the family in December; Janet Cassar, BCS'99, and her husband Alexandre Gagnon were wed last August; Vidura 'Vivi' Amranand and Colin Standish, both Class of 2004, re-enacted an old Form III photo twenty years later.





Béchard, born on January 27, 2020. Grandpa, Lewis Evans, BCS'65, and Grandma, Cathy Evans are proud to say he's very good and growing after starting off under six pounds."

Janet Cassar, BCS'99

"We got married at the Mount Royal Club in Montreal on August 3, 2019. There were many alumni in attendance including Sébastien Grégoire, BCS'98, Maxime Descôteaux, BCS'98, Elizabeth Hanna, BCS'99, Dr. François Grégoire, BCS'96, Mathieu Brodeur, BCS'96, and Frédéric Issid, BCS'96, who gave us a surprise performance."

Jean-David "JD" Fournier, BCS'03 "My son Émile is now three and a half years old. He, his mother Anne, and I have just

come back from a long road trip across North America spanning 25,000 km and six months. As climbers, this meant visiting some of the most classic spots for Anne and me as well as introducing our son to our common passion for the rock and the sport.

Seeing a picture of **Mr. Tessier** in the last Bulletin reminded me a bit of my own Ondaatje adventure to Mount Kilimanjaro in 2003 with John Colton, BCS'03, Jean-Christophe "JC" Parisien-La Salle, BCS'04, Mr. Sean Healey, and Ms. Tiff Crook. I've spent a fair amount of time outside since then. Thanks for firing up that passion, BCS. Hope everyone is doing fine."

Vidura "Vivi" Amranand, BCS'04 "I'm so happy I got to catch up with my old friend Colin Standish, BCS'04. We reenacted an old photo we took twenty years ago in Form III in Mr. Martel's science class. Colin has doubled in height and remembers everything I ever said to him. I grew a little."

Myles Artus, BCS'05

"On December 24, 2019, we were blessed to welcome Ayden Alexander Jeremy Artus into this world at 7:15 PM, weighing 7 lbs, 15 oz. Our little family is doing well."

Stephan Dyer, BCS'06

Stephan and Narzely Guevara Bizarro welcomed baby Liam to the world on January 28, 2020.





Alexandra Gélinas Roy and Miguel Teran Islas, BCS'10

Alexandra and Miguel are happy to announce their engagement.

Emily "Emma" Drew, BCS'11 "Since graduating BCS in 2011, I have pursued my studies and experienced several different fields of work. I first started in tourism, then moved onto work within the judicial system, and finally child and youth care work. The latter gave me the opportunity to make a significant life change. I moved to Alberta to work specifically with First Nations youth struggling with addiction, mental health issues, abuse, and other various forms of trauma.

Although there were obvious challenges I knew I would have to face working with this demographic, what I was unprepared for was the shock, and frankly disappointment, I felt towards a number of my colleagues and residents of the small town I now live in. I was taken aback by the loud and shameless discrimination I observed towards my clients and ethnically diverse peers. After much reflection, I was able to develop a more concrete appreciation for my time at BCS.





I realized that my education at BCS was not only academic but it also allowed me to explore and understand a variety of cultures in a healthy way. Due to its high diversity, BCS encouraged students to mix and share their personal stories at a very critical age where prejudice is normally formed. I sincerely believe that my love and empathy towards others was fostered during that crucial period of my development. It continues to play an important role in my ability to navigate interactions with individuals from different backgrounds but also in a way that aligns with my personal curiosity and growth."



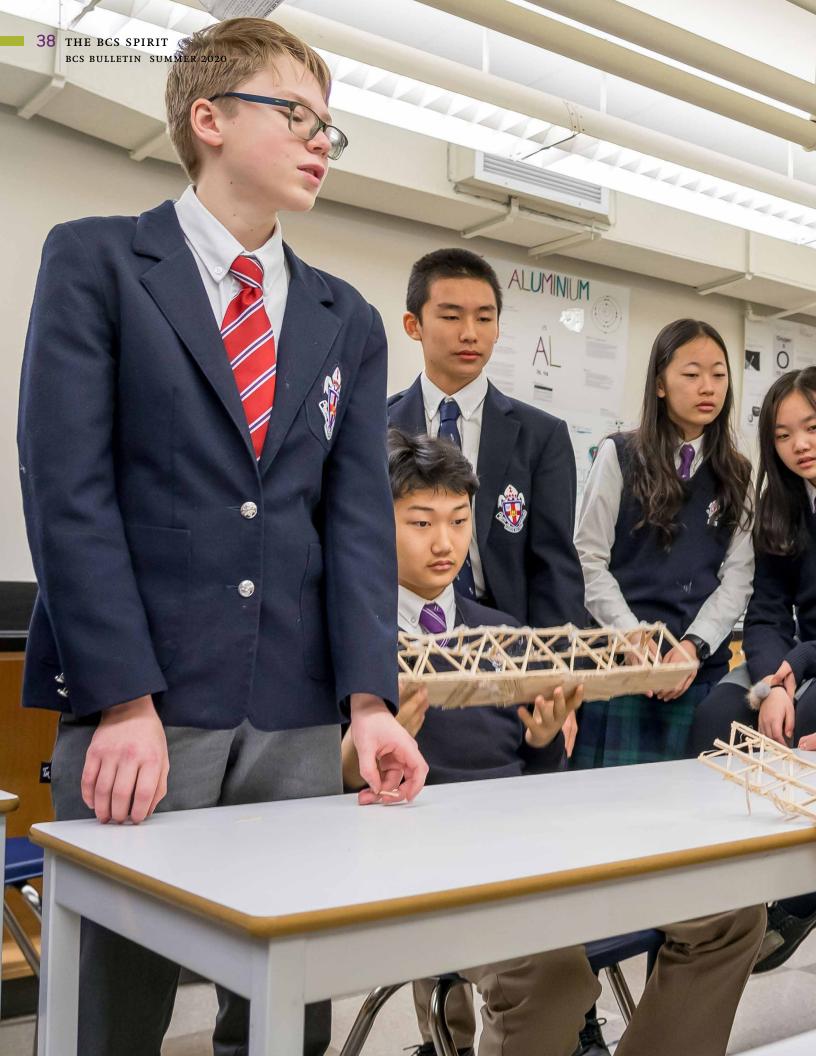
Clockwise, from above left: Stephan Dyer, BCS'06, and his wife Narzely welcomed their son Liam this January; Alexandra Gélinas Roy and Miguel Teran Islas, both Class of 2010, recently announced their engagement; Emily "Emma" Drew, BCS'11, in Alberta; Dre Sarah-Maud Turcotte, BCS'09, and her partner Jasmin's family grew with the birth of baby Philippe in October; Elizabeth "Ella" Mackay Russell, BCS'12, bumped into our very own Max Crowther at the Ontario Library Association Super Conference in January.

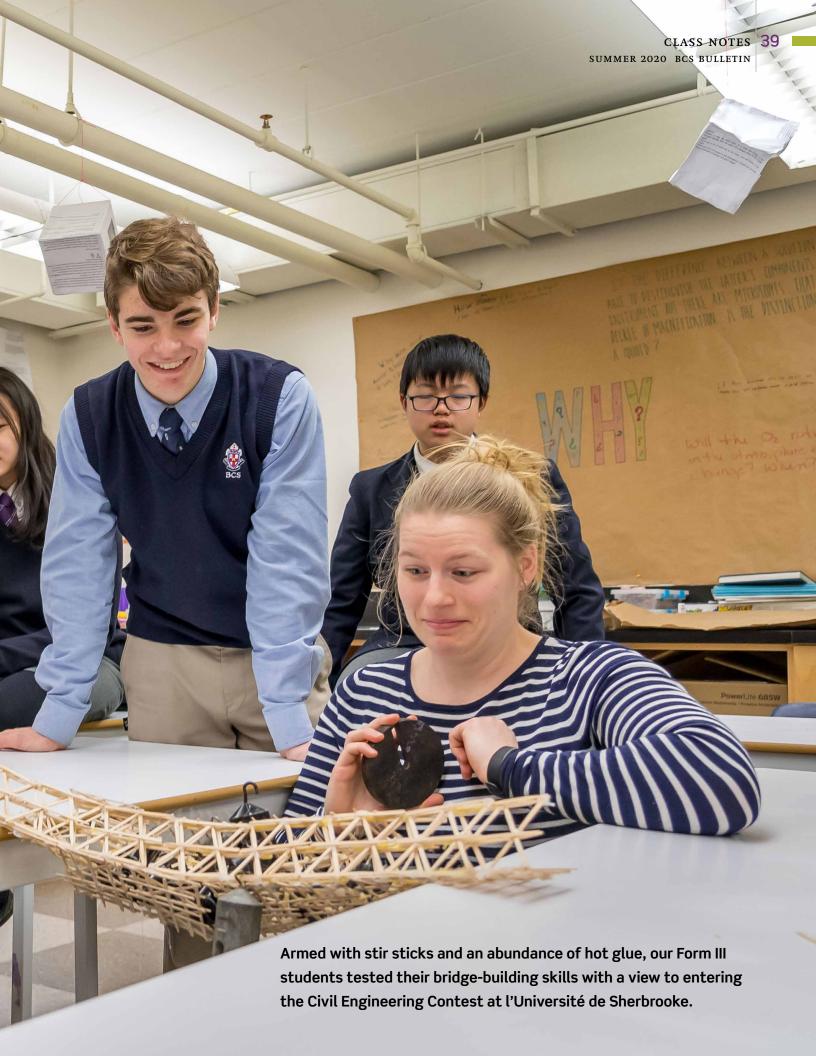


Elizabeth "Ella" Mackay Russell, BCS'12 Submitted by Avery (Mackay) Russell, BCS'85 "You never know where you will run into a fellow BCS community member! Ella was representing Owlkids Books at the Ontario Library Association Super Conference in Toronto in January and bumped into Max Crowther."

Alisher Jardemaliyev, BCS'13 "I am finishing my third year of a dual degree (French and English) in Political Science at the University of Brussels. I am

planning to go to the University of Leuven











Clockwise, from above left: Alisher Jardemaliyev, BCS'13, strikes a pose with the European Union flag during a class visit to the Belgian parliament to listen to the plenary session; Songwriter Tara-Jade De Santis, BCS'14, with Donovan, co-writer of the Beatles hit song "Yellow Submarine"; David Laliberté, BCS'14, was on campus in November to present to Ms. Vanier and Ms. Rowell's science classes; Louis-Félix St-Jean, BCS'15, and Alec Taillon, BCS'17, met up on the ice again as rivals; Endrik Côté-Lebeau and Kaitlin Corbeil, both of the Class of 2017, came out to support Hanna Unis-Thibault, BCS'17, at the 5th Annual Women's Hockey Golf Tournament fundraiser for Carleton University.

for my Master's Degree in International Relations and then hopefully end up working in international diplomacy."

Tara-Jade De Santis, BCS'14

"I just wanted to share good news with the BCS community! I found out that I was selected as a semi-finalist for the International Songwriting Competition. Over 18,000 submissions were sent in and I was selected as a semi-finalist in the R&B/ Hip-Hop Category for my song "Quiet." Dua Lipa, Coldplay and Above & Beyond are amongst the judges this year."

David Laliberté, BCS'14

David stopped by campus in November to talk to Ms. Marita Vanier and Ms. Barbara Rowell's Form VII Physics and Chemistry students about his experience studying Mechanical Engineering at the Université de Sherbrooke as well as his Projet de fin de baccalauréat for L'Expo Méga GÉNIALE.

Alec Taillon, BCS'17 and Louis-Félix St-Jean. BCS'15

Submitted by Eric Taillon

From teammates to rivals - Louis-Félix St-Jean, BCS'15, and Alec Taillon, BCS'17, went head to head at the NCIII Wentworth Institute of Technology vs Salve Regina University hockey game in February. You just never know when you'll bump into a fellow Bear!

Hanna Unis-Thibault, BCS'17

"On September 13, 2019, I attended the $5^{\rm th}$ Annual Women's Hockey Golf Tournament at the Metcalfe Golf Club - my first fundraiser event as a rookie player for Carleton University. The proceeds of the tournament go to the Women's Hockey Team Excellence Fund. It was great to have my BCS pals Endrik Côté-Lebeau, BCS'17, and Kaitlin Corbeil, BCS'17, participate."





FARE THEE WELL

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Peter Hamilton Skelton, BCS'36 January 13, 1924 - October 20, 2019 Peter passed away peacefully on Sunday, October 20, 2019, in his 96th year.

A World War II naval veteran, engineer, manager, civil servant, and consultant, Peter was active in many community groups. He was predeceased by his devoted wife of 59 years Elisabeth Gibb, and will be missed by his partner Georgina Elias. Peter was the beloved father of Peter (Carol), Andrew (Karen), Janet, and Ian (Iara). He is fondly remembered by grandchildren Heather (Jon), Craig (Kristen), Stephanie (Trevor), and Shawna and by great-grandchildren Robin, Nathan, and Evelyn.

Donald Samuel Blackwood Best, BCS'44 March 7, 1926 - April 17, 2019 Donald was born on March 7, 1926, in Winchester, Massachusetts to his Canadian parents, Dr. Samuel and Eva Best, He passed away at the Vernon Jubilee Hospital on April 17, 2019. Don spent his childhood in Massachusetts but went to Bishop's College School, a private boarding school, in Lennoxville, Quebec. Immediately following graduation, Don proudly enlisted in the Canadian Army (altering his birth certificate to 'sneak in' underage) to fight in World War II. At the end of the war, Don returned to Canada and attended Sir George William College in Montreal (now Concordia University), earning a degree in commerce.

Don married Alice Perry and they had three children: Carolyn, Gwendolyn, and Lewis. After this marriage ended, he married Sheilagh Ware. They had three children: Donald, Ann, and Robert. Don and Sheilagh remained happily married for nearly 60 years. Don had a successful career in public administration in Montreal, Ottawa, Peterborough, and Northern British Columbia. His real passions, though, were pre-Columbian and British History. While living in Kelowna, he proudly lectured on many historical topics at the Society for

Learning in retirement. He was also active on the Kelowna Museums Society Board.

Don was predeceased by his son Donald in 1963. He is survived by his children Carolyn (David), Gwendolyn (James), Lewis (Sandra), Ann Dorval (Barry), Robert (Betty), his grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. The family would like to thank all the Coldstream Meadows staff (past and present) for supporting and caring for our father. Thank you too, to Dr. Elizabeth Jolly and her receptionist, Marianne, for their many years of care toward Dad.

Brian Anselan Buchanan, BCS'55
February 15, 1937 - November 3, 2018
Born in Montreal on February 15, 1937, he died peacefully in Ottawa on November 3, 2018, surrounded by his family. He is survived by Christiane Buchanan, his six children, Catherine Elena (Rod Goertz), Valérie (David Stewart), Provence and Olivier Maydew (Krista), Lexie (Jeff Stock), James (Hilary), and seven grandchildren, Finley, Clara, Nicolas, Ethan, Sophie, Sara, and Hugh. Sincere thanks to the staff at the Civic and Bruyère hospitals. Memorial donations may be made to the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada.

Russell Vernon Joseph Bailey, BCS'56
June 9, 1937 - April 12, 2018
Beloved husband of Melanie, cherished
father of Rachel, Priscilla, Julian, and
Sebastian, beloved grandfather of 11
grandchildren, and much-loved uncle and
father-in-law. Loving brother of Lance,
Cynthia, Josephine, Deborah, and Bert. A
warm caring friend of many. Russ was a
lover of God and His Word. In lieu of flowers,
donations to the Isaiah 40 Foundation or
African Inland Mission, in Russ's name.

Gordon Howard Eberts, BCS'57
July 4, 1939 - March 17, 2020
Gordon Howard Eberts died peacefully on
March 17, 2020, surrounded by his loving
family. He was thoughtful, gracious,

generous, and a consummate storyteller until the end. He is survived by his three children, Cinny (Steve), Christopher, and Caroline (Peter), Erik (Laura), seven grandchildren, and his siblings Edmond, Lindsay (Patti), Beth (Tony), and Jeremy. He was predeceased by his brother Jake and his parents Ted and Toppy (MacDougall) Eberts.

Gordie was elegant, charming, and opinionated. He was known for his impeccable taste, his imagination, and his extraordinary intellect. In his prime, he could be seen riding his bike around downtown Toronto, travelling between his favourite cities New York and London, or gathering an always engaging group around his kitchen table. He had a unique eye for colour and light and a gift for curating spaces where antiquities, pop art, and sculpture were seamlessly mixed.

Born in Montreal and educated at Bishop's College School and McGill University, Gordie assumed the role of renegade among the Eberts family's eclectic and endearing personalities. He was defined by his boundless curiosity - driven and restless always exploring the next big idea. He famously despised weekends and statutory holidays. Gordie co-founded brokerage firm Gordon, Eberts Securities Inc. in 1969 with Monty Gordon. The firm, which later evolved into Gordon Capital Corp., was known for its daring and innovative transactions. His ability to see and create opportunities that were far ahead of their time caused competitors and regulators alike to wonder.

Fondly known as "Gogo," Gordie was a source of love and (often unsolicited) advice to his seven grandchildren on matters ranging from dating and fashion to education and 3D printing. Emily, Peter, Lex, Lucas, Ross, Stella, and Winter will miss him dearly. At his core he was content, always quick to say he had the great fortune of living a privileged and wonderful life. He was truly one of a kind.

A special thank you to the Temmy Latner Centre and Bridgepoint Health for their kindness and care, the team at 80 Yorkville, and the devoted friends whose company he cherished. In keeping with his generosity of spirit and confidence in the creativity of future generations, please consider a gift to support the Gordon Eberts Prize for emerging artists as part of OCAD University's Career Launchers Fund: http://ocadu.convio. net/GordonEbertsPrize.

William "Willie" Colin Webster, BCS'62 January 4, 1944 - November 1, 2019 With great sadness, we announce the passing in Vancouver of C. William Webster on November 1, 2019, at 75 years of age. Son of Eric Webster and Elizabeth Paterson, Will was predeceased by his wife Diana Graham Webster. He leaves their daughter Tara and son Sean, Sean's wife Christy and grandchildren Madison and Jaden, as well as his brother Norman and sister Maggie. Will was a kind and generous man whose bright red hair and warm smile lit up the room. He was Chief Barker of Variety the Children's Charity of British Columbia, a member of Variety's International Board, and received the Gold Heart Award for his 45 years as a volunteer for the charity. "Willie" grew up in Sherbrooke, Quebec, graduated from Bishop's University and worked in Toronto and Vancouver, returning every summer to his favourite place, his cottage in North Hatley, Quebec. He was an inventive chef with a formidable memory for a good story. He was happiest when surrounded by close friends and family, fine wine, and good music. Even though the last year of his life was difficult medically he passed peacefully, surrounded by love.

Giles Walker, BCS'63 January 17, 1946 - March 23, 2020 One of Canada's pioneering and most celebrated film directors, Giles Walker died March 23 in Toronto after a 10-year battle with brain cancer.

Born in Scotland in 1946, Giles began his career in 1974 as a documentary filmmaker with the National Film Board of Canada in Montreal. He soon made the switch to dramas, and his film Bravery in the Field earned him an Academy Award nomination for Best Live Action Short Film in 1979. He

went on to win many Genie and Gemini awards over his 40-year career in Canadian film and television. In the early 1980s, he led an innovative trend to low-budget feature films, which drew on spontaneous performances by non-professional actors. Most notable was the comedy 90 Days (1985), a tongue-in-cheek story of the misadventures of two single men and their search for modern love.

Giles was the son of novelist and former Black Watch Major David Harry Walker and Montreal native Willa Magee, herself a writer who had served as Wing Commander of the Canadian Women's Air Force. They settled in the small town of St. Andrews-by-the-Sea, New Brunswick, where Giles and his three younger brothers grew up playing pond hockey and sailing the St. Croix river.

Giles came to film in a roundabout way. He failed his fifth year of Engineering studies at McGill, largely because he devoted most of his time to his role as president of his fraternity house. His parents compelled him to pursue a make-up degree in Psychology at the University of New Brunswick, where he kindled a love of cinema. That led him to a Master's degree in Film Studies at Stanford University in California, which served as a springboard for his success. Tragically, his first wife, Imogen, died of cancer, foretelling his own illness years later, and giving him the sensitivity to direct an acclaimed film, Princes in Exile (1990), about a summer camp for young cancer patients, all searching for love, social acceptance, and recovery.

With second wife Hannele Halm, a Finnish-born documentary film editor, he had two children, Anna-Kaisa, a writer, and Sam, a lawyer. Giles was an attentive and doting father, delighting in his offspring's accomplishments and nudging them forward, as well as making them laugh - his well-planned April Fool's jokes were the stuff of legend in the family.

Ever the organizer and gatherer of people, he was the master link in a sprawling, multigenerational clan that travelled from all over the world to spend summers in St. Andrews. Giles was happiest at the helm of the annual "lobster boil," a family beach bonfire featuring lobsters cooked in sea water, per Maritime tradition. His love for young and

old alike and his teasing sense of humour brought everyone into the fun.

His network of friends in the film industry grew huge over many projects, including the feature drama Ordinary Magic (1993), the television series Emily of New Moon (1998-2000), Il Duce Canadese (2004) and René Lévesque (2006), and the documentary The Way of Tai Chi (2011).

Diagnosed with a brain tumour in 2010, he often stubbornly refused to accept his limitations. He threw himself into writing a compelling and courageous book, Wake Me in the Morning, about his experience of terrifying abuse by a teacher at Bishop's College School in the late 1950s. He traveled across Canada and the Caribbean to meet with other Old Boys and listen to stories many had never told anyone before.

As his health gradually declined in his later years, he sometimes lost touch with reality, but, ever the filmmaker at heart, was at times convinced he was working on a new project. "Get me to the train station, the crew's waiting, goddamnit!" he once commanded a longtime friend. Even on his worst days, he always seemed to have a film he needed to be working on, a family gathering to plan, or a friend he had to see.

Giles was steadfastly cared for by Hannele, whose unwavering devotion carried the family through his many years of illness. He also received outstanding care from the staff of Suomi-Koti nursing home in Toronto, Saint Margaret's Residence in Montreal, and his oncology team at the Royal Victoria Hospital, headed by Dr. Gizelle Popradi.

Giles is survived by Hannele, their daughter Anna-Kaisa (Matt Morrow and their daughter Julia) and son Sam (Anna Dare, and their son Matias); and by his brothers, David (Diane), their children Jordan (Rachel Lee), Erica Conklin, Zoe (Davy Dhillon), Josh Conklin (Jessica), and Riley; and Julian (Caroline), and their children Matthew (Katherine Sawatsky), Meg (Brandon Schaufele); brother-in-law John Dean, as well as many grand-nephews, grand-nieces and cousins throughout the family.

Giles was predeceased by his father and mother, David and Willa Walker, his brothers Barclay and Patrick, his first wife Imogen Dean, and his nephew, David A.M. Walker.

In lieu of flowers, the family would greatly appreciate donations to the Giles Walker Memorial Scholarship in Film Studies now established at the University of New Brunswick (via www.unb.ca/giving or c/o Development & Donor Relations, University of New Brunswick, P.O. Box 4400, Fredericton, NB E3B 5A3) or toward research at the Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada. www.braintumour.ca.

If you wish to see some of his work, his early films are available for free streaming at NFB.ca.

Darrell Ladd Abbott, BCS'65 January 29, 1945 - January 12, 2020 Darrell was one of those larger-than-life people. Everyone felt his presence in a room. Whether it be his deep voice or his belly laugh, you knew Darrell was there. He could be seen or heard telling stories and jokes or pulling out his phone to brag about his family. He liked to share his opinion and was always 'coaching' in one form or another. He touched many people through his years of coaching, and playing hockey, and left an imprint on many lives. Sadly, we lost him suddenly on Sunday, January 12, 2020.

He loved his family and was a super proud husband, father, and grandpa. He spent his days in cold rinks, at dance or cheer competitions, watching sporting events with the love of his life, running his grandkids to their activities, or hanging with the Old Boys. His presence will be greatly missed. In lieu of flowers, we ask that donations be made to Jumpstart, an organization committed to giving kids aged 4-18 equal access to sports and physical activity. ctjumpstart.ca/ DarrellAbbottMemorial

Monique "Mona" Lacroix, BCS'75 1957 - September 24, 2019 À l'Hôpital Laval (IUCPQ), le 24 septembre 2019, à l'âge de 61 ans et 11 mois, est décédée madame Mona Lacroix, fille de feu madame Louise Boutin et de feu monsieur Marcel Lacroix. Elle demeurait à Québec.

Elle laisse dans le deuil ses frères : Charles (Anne Fortier), Camil (Stéfanie Drouin); ses neveux et nièces : Charles, Frances

(Jon Lehun), Maxine (Will Lavigne), Billy et Brandon; ses petites-nièces : Alice, Avery et Austin; ainsi que tous les membres des familles Boutin, Amyot, Bertrand, Lacroix, Guimont et Perron. Elle laisse aussi dans le deuil de nombreux ami(e)s.

La famille tient à remercier toute l'équipe des soins intensifs de cardiologie de l'Hôpital Laval et en particulier Dr. François Dagenais pour leur humanisme.

Vos témoignages de sympathie peuvent se traduire par un don à la fondation Institut Universitaire de cardiologie et de pneumologie de Québec. fondation-iucpq. org.

Robert "Rob" William Muddiman, BCS'75 1957 - November 14, 2019 Rob passed away suddenly and peacefully in his sleep on Thursday, November 14, 2019, at the age of 62 beside his beloved wife Jane. He was born to George Robert Muddiman (predeceased 2009) and Elizabeth Margaret (née Leonard) in Montreal, Quebec and grew up in nearby Beaconsfield. Best friend and husband of 37 years to Jane (née McKenzie), cherished father of John (Kate), Laura (Elliott), and David, and 'Pa' to his treasured grandson, Owen. Rob's mother Betty, siblings Deb (Bob), Rick, Scott (Leigh), and large extended family of Muddimans and McKenzies loved him deeply. Rob graduated from Queen's University, Class of Science '79, Mechanical Engineering. An astute businessman, Rob started his working life at Pratt & Whitney before joining his father and brother Scott in the family business. In 1991 Rob ventured out on his own with a portion of the family business, kicking off a successful career as a serial entrepreneur. Rob loved to travel and play. Cycling across Europe, hiking in Tibet, bungee jumping in New Zealand, skiing, windsurfing, playing cards and board games, he packed as much as he could into his too-short life. Above all he loved golf; the challenge, the competition, but more than that he loved the camaraderie of his family and friends on the golf course. He was a member at Mississaugua Golf and Country Club, Colleton River Club, and Diamante Cabo San Lucas. Rob was larger than life, a force of nature. He had an

infectious joie de vivre that was impossible

to resist. You wanted to ride the wave with him. Consistent, unwavering, never a doubt in his mind, it was all or nothing for Rob. His ability to pull you in and bring you to life was one of his many gifts. He approached his entire life with passion and possibility; he didn't know the meaning of half measures. Nothing mattered more to him than Jane and his family. He relished in family traditions, like reciting poetry, that brought warmth and joy to everyone. He lived for creating memories that were anchored in fun and spontaneity. The flame that burns twice as bright burns half as long. He was taken from us too soon and will be missed by all who knew and loved him. Donations in Rob's memory can be made to the Heart & Stroke Foundation.

Dr. Cheryl-Lynn Rogers, BCS'80 August 11, 1962 - January 18, 2020 Dr. Cheryl-Lynn Rogers passed away peacefully surrounded by loved ones at the age of 57. Her beautiful smile, playful spirit, musical laugh, and compassionate and loving presence will be missed by her mother, Jacqueline, her father, George, her brother, John (Elana), her niece Sarah, nephew Shane (Ashley), as well as her many cherished friends and respected colleagues. We are profoundly grateful to Dr. Lucy Gilbert and the many wonderful doctors, nurses, and support staff from the MUHC for their care and humanity, to Dr. Romano and Annie for their compassion and care which allowed Cheryl-Lynn to stay at home for as long as possible, to the unbelievably fabulous staff of the West Island Palliative Care Residence, to Acharya Choying, Stephanie, Anne, JS, and members of the Rigpe Dorje Foundation (Buddhist temple) for their prayers and invaluable, unwavering presence and support, and to Daryl Lynn Ross for accompanying Cheryl-Lynn with Buddhist prayers in her last breath.

As expressions of sympathy and love, memorial donations may be made to the West Island Palliative Care Residence, The McGill University Health Centre DOvEE project (Diagnosing Ovarian and Endometrial Cancers Early), the Rigpe Dorje Foundation, or to True North Insight.

Gordon Campbell Somerville, BCS'80 January 11, 1962 - December 8, 2019 Peacefully, surrounded by his family on Sunday, December 8, 2019, at Lakeridge Health Oshawa at the age of 57 Years. Beloved husband of Cindy, loving father of Kailey, Andrew, and his wife Brittney, and cherished brother of Cathy, Patsy, and Bruce. Gordon will be lovingly remembered by his nieces, nephews, extended family, friends, and those that had the pleasure of knowing him. In lieu of flowers, if desired, memorial donations to the Brain Matters Fund at Sunnybrook Health Foundation would be appreciated.

Tristan Yehuda Ferreira Meyer, BCS'15 December 1996 - January 18, 2020 It is with heavy hearts that we announce that Tristan Yehuda Ferreira Meyer passed away on January 18, 2020 in Cancun, Mexico, at the age of 23. He succumbed to injuries sustained in a drowning accident on Tuesday, January 14. He has left behind a network of extended and blended families: parents, Armando Ferreira, Michelle Meyer (Rob Linscott), and Paul Wertman (Paula Speevak); siblings Raffi Meyer-Wertman, Jennifer and Jason Ferreira, and Claire and Gabriel Wertman-Parris; uncles/aunts Winston Meyer/Karen Duffy, Manny and Susan Wertman, and their families, John Ferreira; Ezilda, Edouardo, Albertina, and Maria Noemia; cousins Samuel and William Meyer, Melissa, Christine and Michael Nemeth, and Rui Ferreira; nephews Alexander and Jonathan Ferreira; and newly-blended siblings Sarah, Karli, and Menasheh Speevak-Sladowski.

Tristan was devoted to his friends and social causes, passionate about human rights and environmental issues, and a young man who loved to empower others. He loved to dance, analyze sports, play rugby, and travel the world. He loved being a camp counsellor at Camp B'Nai Brith near Ottawa. He went to the Bahamas and participated in a workstudy program focussed on the integration of disabled children into the school system there. Many of the friends he made there were impacted by the enormous hurricane that devasted the Bahamas this past fall. He was raising money to send back there

to help with the rebuilding. That's the kind of person Tristan had become - a great big heart with an enormous energy to apply to his best intentions.

Tristan was a courageous young man who modelled a profound transformation and embarked on a path of healing, compassion, and gratitude. He was a bright light, wanting everyone to be well and to be empowered. He had travelled to Jakarta, Indonesia at age 12 with Children's International Summer Village, to Europe visiting family a number of times, to Iceland, California, Budapest, Turkey, Israel, Germany, Spain, and many times to New York City where his grandparents had met and confirmed their vows of marriage.

No words can describe the devastation we all feel at the loss of a young man who was determined and committed to making a positive difference in the world and was just starting out on his path. In lieu of flowers, kindly donate to a charity that reflects Tristan's passions.

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